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Commissioner for Patents **BOX PATENT APPLICATION** Washington, D.C. 20231



## TRANSMITTAL FOR A NEW PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) of:

	Invent	ors: Sarah METCALFE, Lisa CARLIN, and Kurt A. ZAREFOSS
	For:	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ENABLING COLLABORATIVE PROCUREMENT OF PRODUCTS IN A SUPPLY CHAIN
Total Total Theor I S No Total Total Total	1.	This is a new Utility Design Plant patent application.
He don't had the Green He Hand Had Had Had	2.	The papers enclosed to obtain a filing date are as follows:  Pages of Application including:  Pages of Disclosure  Pages of Claims (4 Independent – 42 Total)  Page of Abstract; and  Sheets of drawings containing 9 Figures  The enclosed drawing(s) are photograph(s), and there is also attached a PETITION TO ACCEPT PHOTOGRAPH(S) AS DRAWING(S).
	3.	Declaration for Patent Application <b>OR</b> Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney  ☐ Enclosed and is newly executed by all inventors.  ☐ Enclosed in this continuation/divisional application and is a copy from a prior application (37 CFR § 1.63(d).  ☐ Not Enclosed.
	•	This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(f).  Applicant(s) await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration and paying the filing fees.

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- 9. Small entity status
  - Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27 is claimed for this application.
- 10. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)

CLAIMS FOR FEE CALCULATION							
	Number Filed Number Extra at Rate of		Basic Fee Utility \$740.00 Design \$370.00				
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	42 - 20 =	22	\$	18.00 each=	+\$	396.00	
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b))	4 - 3 =	1	\$	84.00 each=	+\$	84.00	
Multiple dependent claim(s), i	\$	280.00	+	0.00			
				SUB-TOTAL =	+\$	1,220.00	
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by a small entity					-\$	0.00	
TOTAL FILING FEE =					\$	1,220.00	

## 11. Fee Payment

$\boxtimes$	Not Enclosed. NO FEE IS BEING PAID BY CHECK OR DEPOSIT
	ACCOUNT AT THIS TIME.
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12. Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1349. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

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	Nonpublication Request pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.213
	Combined Power of Attorney by Assignee and Certificate under 37 CFR § 3.73(b)
	Change of Correspondence Address
	Preliminary Amendment
	Information Disclosure Statement
Ħ	Form PTO- 1449, documents as listed
Ħ	Declaration of Biological Deposit
Ħ	Submission of "Sequence Listing," computer readable copy and/or amendment
نيا	pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid

Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: December 14, 2001

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Additional papers enclosed:

sequence.

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